

# **CDBG-R SUBMISSION TEMPLATE**

## **& CHECKLIST**

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ("Recovery Act") was signed into law by President Obama on February 17, 2009. The Recovery Act awards \$1 billion in CDBG Recovery (CDBG-R) funds to be distributed to cities, counties, insular areas and states, of which \$10 million has been reserved by HUD for its administrative costs and \$10 million of which will be awarded to Indian tribes. Recipients of the remaining \$980 million of CDBG-R funds will be the approximately 1,200 jurisdictions that received CDBG funding in Fiscal Year 2008. This template sets forth the suggested format for grantees receiving funds from CDBG-R. A complete submission contains the information requested below, including:

- (1) The CDBG-R Substantial Amendment (template attached below)
- (2) Spreadsheet for Reporting Proposed CDBG-R Activities (see <http://www.hud.gov/recovery>)
- (3) Signed and Dated Certifications (see <http://www.hud.gov/recovery>)
- (4) Signed and Dated [SF-424](#).

Grantees should also attach a completed CDBG-R Substantial Amendment Checklist to ensure completeness and efficiency of review (attached below).

# **THE CDBG-R SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT**

Jurisdiction(s): City of Greensboro	CDBG-R Contact Person: Address: 300 W. Washington St. Ste. 315 Telephone: 336.433.7266 Fax: 336.373.2153 Email: <a href="mailto:michael.blair@greensboro-nc.gov">michael.blair@greensboro-nc.gov</a>
Jurisdiction Web Address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/departments/hcd/StimulusFunds.htm">http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/departments/hcd/StimulusFunds.htm</a></li></ul>	

## **ENSURING RESPONSIBLE SPENDING OF RECOVERY ACT FUNDS**

Funding available under the Recovery Act has clear purposes – to stimulate the economy through measures that modernize the Nation’s infrastructure, improve energy efficiency, and expand educational opportunities and access to health care. HUD strongly urges grantees to use CDBG-R funds for hard development costs associated with infrastructure activities that provide basic services to residents or activities that promote energy efficiency and conservation through rehabilitation or retrofitting of existing buildings. While the full range of CDBG activities is available to grantees, the Department strongly suggests that grantees incorporate consideration of the public perception of the intent of the Recovery Act in identifying and selecting projects for CDBG-R funding.

### ***A. SPREADSHEET FOR REPORTING PROPOSED CDBG-R ACTIVITIES***

*Grantees must provide information concerning CDBG-R assisted activities in an electronic spreadsheet provided by HUD. The information that must be reported in the spreadsheet includes activity name, activity description, CDBG-R dollar amount budgeted, eligibility category, national objective citation, additional Recovery Act funds for the activity received from other programs, and total activity budget. An electronic copy of the spreadsheet and the format is available on HUD’s recovery website at <http://www.hud.gov/recovery>.*

PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT “A”

Jurisdiction/Grantee Name: City of Greensboro		CDBG-R Formula Grant Amount: \$510,817				Date: June 4, 2009	
<i>Activity Name</i>	<i>Activity Description</i>	<i>Eligibility (Regulatory or HCDA Citation)</i>	<i>National Objective Citation</i>	<i>CDBG-R Project Budget (\$)</i>	<i>Additional Recovery Funds (\$)</i>	<i>Other Leveraged Funding (\$)</i>	<i>Total Activity Budget</i>
Window replacement – Beloved Community Center/ Hospitality House	Fostering energy independence - New thermal windows will be installed which will also be customized for historic compliance. This is considered a green retrofitting which will lower operations cost for "Hospitality House" a nonprofit homeless facility. Up to 5 construction jobs will be retained.	570.201(c )	570.208(a) (2)(i) - LMC	\$23,000	\$0	\$0	\$23,000
Woodmere Park ADA ramp compliance	Infrastructure Improvement - directed to the removal of material barriers that restrict the mobility and accessibility of elderly or severely disabled persons to public park.	570.201(c )	570.208(a) (1) - LMA  BG: 127.051 - 63% Low/Mod	\$5,100	\$0	\$0	\$5,100
Urgent Repair - Housing Greensboro	12 low income homeowners will have their housing improved. Home repairs including weatherization, energy efficiency, and green techniques when possible. 1 job will be created.	570.202(a) (1)	570.208(a) (3) - LMH	\$78,000	\$0	\$182,000	\$260,000
Mini Repair - Housing Greensboro	75 low income homeowners will have their housing repaired. This will prevent further deterioration of the local housing stock. 1 job will be created.	570.202(a) (1)	570.208(a) (3) - LMH	\$25,000	\$0	\$53,000	\$78,000



Rental Housing Rehabilitation - JT Hairston Memorial Apartments	108 affordable rental units will have a substantial rehabilitation project completed by CDBG-R funds. Energy efficiency (windows, insulation) has been a primary goal of the larger project.	570.202(a) (1) (b)(4)	570.208(a) (3) - LMH	\$136,165	\$0	\$0	\$136,165
Rental Housing Rehabilitation - 214 English	6 affordable rental units will have a substantial rehabilitation project funded by CDBG-R funds. Energy efficiency and job retention/creation will be the primary benefits.	570.202(a) (1) (b)(4)	570.208(a) (3) - LMH	\$50,000	\$0	\$113,000	\$163,000
Energy Retrofit Program - Enpulse	Five (5) jobs will be created to provide low income homeowners and renters with energy efficient/green upfits. The intent is to reduce carbon emissions and to reduce low-income household utility costs in 150 homes.	570.203(b)	570.208(a) (4) - LMJ	\$104,371	\$0	\$0	\$104,371
Infrastructure - Walking exercise trail	A low income neighborhood will benefit from the construction of a connected circular walking trail. Jobs will be created to construct the trail.	570.201(c)	570.208(a) (1) - LMA  CT: 111.02 - 52% Low/Mod	\$38,100	\$0	\$0	\$38,100
Administration of 10%	One (1) job will be created or retained to administer the above projects.	570.206(a) (1)		\$51,081	\$0	\$0	\$51,081
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$510,817</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$348,000</b>	<b>\$858,817</b>



**B. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY (COMPLETE FOR EACH ACTIVITY)**

- (1) Activity Name: *(Grantees should follow the same order that activities are listed in the Spreadsheet for Reporting Proposed CDBG-R Activities – this will allow HUD to easily match activity narratives with the information provided in the spreadsheet.)*

**Response:**

Window Replacement – Beloved Community Center/Hospitality House

- (2) Activity Narrative:

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- *Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery;*
- *Assisting those most impacted by the recession;*
- *Providing investment needed to increase economic efficiency;*
- *Investing in transportation, environmental protection, or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits;*
- *Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services; or*
- *Fostering energy independence.*

**Response:**

The project will create and retain construction jobs; foster energy independence; and help better assist those most hurt by the recession. New thermal windows will be installed which will also be customized for historic compliance along with the repair of salvageable windows to satisfy Section 106. This is considered a green retrofitting which will lower operations cost for "Hospitality House" a nonprofit homeless facility.

- (3) Jobs Created: *(Report the number of full- and part-time jobs estimated to be created and retained by the activity (including permanent, construction, and temporary jobs)).*

**Response:**

The project is estimated to take 2-3 months and the \$23,000 of CDBG-R funding will retain 1 job and create 5 part-time jobs per HCD staff estimate. These are temporary part-time construction jobs.

- (4) Additional Activity Information: *(A description of how the activity will promote energy conservation, smart growth, green building technologies, or reduced pollution emissions, if applicable.)*

**Response:**

The purpose of this project is to reduce energy consumption and promote energy conservation. This project also intends to create a green job training program for area youth.

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**Response:**

Woodmere Park ADA ramp compliance

- (2) Activity Narrative:

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- *Providing investment needed to increase economic efficiency;*
- *Investing in transportation, environmental protection, or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits;*
- *Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services; or*
- *Fostering energy independence.*

**Response:**

Infrastructure Improvement directed to the removal of material barriers that restrict the mobility and accessibility of elderly or severely disabled persons to a public park in a low to moderate income neighborhood. This project will also retain temporary construction jobs.

- (3) Jobs Created: *(Report the number of full- and part-time jobs estimated to be created and retained by the activity (including permanent, construction, and temporary jobs)).*

**Response:**

The project is estimated to take 2-3 months and the \$5,100 of CDBG-R funding will retain 3 jobs per HCD staff estimate. These are temporary part-time construction jobs.

- (4) Additional Activity Information: *(A description of how the activity will promote energy conservation, smart growth, green building technologies, or reduced pollution emissions, if applicable.)*

**Response:**

N/A



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**Response:**

Urgent Repair - Housing Greensboro Inc.

- (2) Activity Narrative:

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- *Providing investment needed to increase economic efficiency;*
- *Investing in transportation, environmental protection, or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits;*
- *Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services; or*
- *Fostering energy independence.*

**Response:**

Fostering energy independence - 12 low income homeowners will have their housing improved. Home repairs include weatherization, energy efficiency, and green techniques when possible.

- (3) Jobs Created: *(Report the number of full- and part-time jobs estimated to be created and retained by the activity (including permanent, construction, and temporary jobs)).*

**Response:**

The project is estimated to take 12 months and the \$78,000 of CDBG-R funding will create 1 job per the applicant submittal. This will be a permanent construction job.

- (4) Additional Activity Information: *(A description of how the activity will promote energy conservation, smart growth, green building technologies, or reduced pollution emissions, if applicable.)*

**Response:**

Housing Greensboro is a certified CHDO for the HOME Consortium. It has also established a trial Section 3 program that has hired two formerly unemployed construction workers who know act as job site foremen.



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- (1) Activity Name: *(Grantees should follow the same order that activities are listed in the Spreadsheet for Reporting Proposed CDBG-R Activities – this will allow HUD to easily match activity narratives with the information provided in the spreadsheet.)*

**Response:**

Mini Repair - Housing Greensboro Inc.

- (2) Activity Narrative:

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- *Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery;*
- *Assisting those most impacted by the recession;*
- *Providing investment needed to increase economic efficiency;*
- *Investing in transportation, environmental protection, or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits;*
- *Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services; or*
- *Fostering energy independence.*

**Response:**

This project assists those most impacted by the recession. Seventy-five (75) low income homeowners will have their housing repaired. This will prevent further deterioration of the local housing stock.

- (3) Jobs Created: *(Report the number of full- and part-time jobs estimated to be created and retained by the activity (including permanent, construction, and temporary jobs)).*

**Response:**

The project is estimated to take 12 months and the \$25,000 of CDBG-R funding will create one (1) job per the applicant submittal. This will be a permanent construction job.

- (4) Additional Activity Information: *(A description of how the activity will promote energy conservation, smart growth, green building technologies, or reduced pollution emissions, if applicable.)*

**Response:**

Housing Greensboro is a certified CHDO for the HOME Consortium. It has also established a trial Section 3 program that has hired two formerly unemployed construction workers who know act as job site foremen.

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**Response:**

Rental Housing Rehabilitation - JT Hairston Memorial Apartments

- (2) Activity Narrative:

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- *Assisting those most impacted by the recession;*
- *Providing investment needed to increase economic efficiency;*
- *Investing in transportation, environmental protection, or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits;*
- *Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services; or*
- *Fostering energy independence.*

**Response:**

Fostering energy independence. One Hundred and Eight (108) affordable rental units will have a substantial rehabilitation project completed by CDBG-R funds. Energy efficiency (windows, insulation) has been a primary goal of the larger project.

- (3) Jobs Created: *(Report the number of full- and part-time jobs estimated to be created and retained by the activity (including permanent, construction, and temporary jobs)).*

**Response:**

The project is estimated to take three (3) months so \$136,165 would retain six (6) jobs per the \$92,000 per job calculation provided by the federal government in the report "Estimates of Job Creation from the ARRA of 2009" published May 2009. These will be temporary construction jobs and supplier jobs.

- (4) Additional Activity Information: *(A description of how the activity will promote energy conservation, smart growth, green building technologies, or reduced pollution emissions, if applicable.)*

**Response:**

This rehabilitation job is geared to reducing pollution emissions by decreasing the average utility consumption of 108 low income households.



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**Response:**

Rental Housing Rehabilitation - 214 English Street – Partnership Homes Inc.

- (2) Activity Narrative:

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- *Assisting those most impacted by the recession;*
- *Providing investment needed to increase economic efficiency;*
- *Investing in transportation, environmental protection, or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits;*
- *Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services; or*
- *Fostering energy independence.*

**Response:**

Fostering energy independence. Six (6) affordable rental units will have a substantial rehabilitation project funded by CDBG-R funds. Energy efficiency and job retention/creation will be the primary benefits.

- (3) Jobs Created: *(Report the number of full- and part-time jobs estimated to be created and retained by the activity (including permanent, construction, and temporary jobs)).*

**Response:**

The project is estimated to take six (6) months so \$50,000 would retain 1.1 FTE jobs per the \$92,000 per job calculation provided by the federal government in the report "Estimates of Job Creation from the ARRA of 2009" published May 2009. These will be temporary construction jobs.

- (4) Additional Activity Information: *(A description of how the activity will promote energy conservation, smart growth, green building technologies, or reduced pollution emissions, if applicable.)*

**Response:**

This rehabilitation job is geared to reducing pollution emissions by decreasing the average utility consumption of six (6) low income households.



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**Response:**

Energy Retrofit Program - Enpulse

- (2) Activity Narrative:

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- *Investing in transportation, environmental protection, or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits;*
- *Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services; or*
- *Fostering energy independence.*

**Response:**

Fostering energy independence and creating jobs. Five (5) jobs will be created to provide 150 low income homeowners and renters with energy efficient/green upfits. The intent is to reduce carbon emissions and to reduce low-income household utility costs.

- (3) Jobs Created: *(Report the number of full- and part-time jobs estimated to be created and retained by the activity (including permanent, construction, and temporary jobs)).*

**Response:**

The project will create five (5) jobs. This is the primary goal of the project along with energy conservation. The construction related jobs will be permanent.

- (4) Additional Activity Information: *(A description of how the activity will promote energy conservation, smart growth, green building technologies, or reduced pollution emissions, if applicable.)*

**Response:**

This rehabilitation job is geared to reducing pollution emissions by decreasing the average utility consumption of 150 low income households.

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- (1) Activity Name: *(Grantees should follow the same order that activities are listed in the Spreadsheet for Reporting Proposed CDBG-R Activities – this will allow HUD to easily match activity narratives with the information provided in the spreadsheet.)*

**Response:**

Infrastructure - Walking/exercise trail

- (2) Activity Narrative:

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- *Providing investment needed to increase economic efficiency;*
- *Investing in transportation, environmental protection, or other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits;*
- *Minimizing or avoiding reductions in essential services; or*
- *Fostering energy independence.*

**Response:**

Preserving and creating jobs and promoting economic recovery. A low income neighborhood will benefit from the construction of a connected circular walking trail. Six (6) jobs will be created for construction of the trail. These will be temporary jobs that teach green landscaping and grounds maintenance to older teens.

- (3) Jobs Created: *(Report the number of full- and part-time jobs estimated to be created and retained by the activity (including permanent, construction, and temporary jobs)).*

**Response:**

The project will create six (6) part-time jobs. This is the primary goal of the project along with green techniques and infrastructure improvement in a low income neighborhood. The construction related jobs will be temporary.

- (4) Additional Activity Information: *(A description of how the activity will promote energy conservation, smart growth, green building technologies, or reduced pollution emissions, if applicable.)*

**Response:**

This project is geared to teach green building and neighborhood improvement to young people.

- (1) Responsible Organization: (Contact information for the organization that will implement the CDBG-R activity, including its name, location, and administrator contact information)

**Response:**

Responsible Organization: **City of Greensboro**  
Location: Greensboro, North Carolina  
Contact information: Michael Blair - Department of Housing and CD  
300 W. Washington St. Ste. 315  
Greensboro, NC 27401  
Telephone: 336.433.7266  
Fax: 336.373.2153  
Email: [michael.blair@greensboro-nc.gov](mailto:michael.blair@greensboro-nc.gov)



### ***C. PUBLIC COMMENT***

*Provide a summary of public comments received to the proposed CDBG-R Substantial Amendment.*

**Note:** *A Proposed CDBG-R Substantial Amendment must be published via the usual methods and posted on the jurisdiction's website for no less than 7 calendar days for public comment.*

#### **Response:**

The public comment period ran from May 21, 2009 (Community Resource Board (CRB) Public Hearing) through June 2, 2009 (City Council Public Hearing) or 13 days which exceed the minimum of 7 days as permitted by HUD. This was advertised in the largest news paper in Guilford County the News and Record on May 16, 2009 and posted on the City/HCD website.

In addition several neighborhood meetings were held in April that included dissemination of CDBG-R funding availability.

A public information meeting was held on **May 18, 2009** that included 21 signed in participants and several more who did not sign in. What follows is a summary of that meeting:

General Comments from May 18, 2009 Public Information meeting at the downtown train depot:

- HCD staff members have been meeting w/neighborhood groups for the past 2 weeks
- The CRB meets on Thursday May 21, and will hold a public hearing and develop a recommendation for Council to consider on June 2
- 50% of the money must be spent by 2/2010
- A main Recovery Act goal is to spend the money quickly to create jobs and housing
- The minimum grant is \$25,000
- If you have a project in mind you should complete the 1-page application and submit it for consideration
- "It's time to cut out this mess and live for each other." (Comment made by a meeting participant in response to another participants' question re: ensuring minority inclusion)
- From CRB members – The board hears you and thanks you for coming out. If you don't have a project ready for this round of funding, there will be other opportunities.

Questions/Responses:

- Q. How will you get projects ready to recommend by 5/21?
- R. CRB has responsibility for forwarding Council the best recommendations possible, given the timeline of a June 5, 2009 substantial plan amendment due to HUD
  
- Q. Is it true that 99% of the project funding is already allocated?
- R. No, every HUD-eligible project submitted has an opportunity to be considered for funding

- Q. How many projects are there already underway that could take all the money?
- R. One known project, the roof completion at JT Hairston apartments is underway and will request funding
- Q. Are lighting and sidewalk improvements eligible activities?
- R. Yes
- Q. How will, or will this funding encourage minority participation – the City’s MWBE Program is not very effective? Can the local CDBG-R policy include language of inclusiveness to ensure that minorities are part of the actual recovery? This money is coming in so quickly – I’m just making sure that minorities are being represented.
- R. That is definitely something we will look at.
- Q. What about a project that promotes job retention by helping people with substance abuse problems, would that be eligible?
- R. Maybe, but it would probably fall under HUD’s public service definition and 15% spending cap and HUD is not really pushing public service funding with CDBG-R
- Q. When is the application due to the CRB?
- R. Applications must be submitted by noon tomorrow, 5/19/09
- Q. Is there a maximum grant?
- R. No, but there is only \$460,000 available for projects
- Q. What about the request for funding to help complete a boxing facility for youth that a gentleman presented during a CRB meeting - would that be eligible?
- R. This may not meet the main purpose of CDBG-R - economic recovery and energy efficiency
- Q. Can more than one project of the same type be funded?
- R. Sure, as long as they are eligible and meet program guidelines. Variety would be nice.
- Q. Will more stimulus money be available to Greensboro?
- R. Yes, CDBG-R is just a very small piece of other expected funding including funds to address:
- a. transportation needs
  - b. energy efficiency block grant
  - c. homelessness prevention
  - d. job training/creation
- Q. What is evidence of shovel readiness?
- R. Being an established for-profit or non-profit with legitimate building plans for a project that’s ready to go



### Suggested Proposal Evaluation Criteria:

- Does it deliver the biggest bang for the money and help the most people?
- Does it address rental rehabilitation and energy efficiency?
- Does it promote economic development, including improvements to neighborhoods (sidewalks, streets, streams) on the east side of Greensboro?
- Does it address health and education – economic stimulus for the individual?

A Community Resource Board **Public Hearing** was held on **May 21, 2009**. What follows is a summary of that meeting:

Scott Neely, 866 Hinkle Road, Statesville, North Carolina, is a consultant for Shiloh Baptist Church, the sponsor for J. T. Hairston Apartments. They obtained an FHA-Insured loan through HUD in 2007 for substantial rehabilitation to the complex. Numerous repairs have been made; however, the proceeds from the loan have run out and the roof still needs replacing. He appealed to the Board for consideration of funds to complete this project.

Marius Clark is a student who is employed by Impulse Energy Conservation. He spoke in support of the company's energy audit program. One of the program's projects is to install thermostats in low-income housing to reduce energy costs and increase efficiency. He asked the Board to support the program.

Derrick Giles is an engineer who operates Impulse Energy. The company specializes in sustainability. He clarified that the energy audit program would actually be more of a retrofit program. Changes would be identified and made to reduce energy consumption by installing equipment such as programmable thermostats. He addressed job creation and added that the company is shovel-ready to begin work.

Joyce H. Johnson resides at 2115 Murray Hill Road. Accompanying her were members of the Beloved Community Center located on Arlington Street. Ms. Johnson explained that the Center's emphasis is to use stimulus funding to build equity and wealth in the community.

Bob Kelly, 707 Pebble Drive, spoke in support of two projects. The Servant Center Project consists of 12 apartment units for the homeless served by Servant Center. The other project is located at 214 English Street and consists of 6 units. He gave an overview of both projects that would provide permanent affordable housing.

Gene Brown, 1014 South Aycock Street, is the Executive Director of Housing Greensboro. He spoke in support of two projects. The first project is for the major home repair program in the amount of \$78,000. He gave background information on the program and indicated that they often partner with local weatherization programs. The other request is for a minor home repair program targeting preventative maintenance issues. He reviewed the program along with funding.

Dale Tompkins resides at 1900 Linney Drive. He asked the Board to reconsider the Walking Trail proposal that did not meet the threshold. The Walking Trail is a green job and would



employ youth during the summer. He clarified that Guilford County Schools owns the property. He reviewed the program and addressed concerns.

Mary E. Black, 409 Burtner Street, represented the Arlington Park neighborhood and inquired if the neighborhood was considered a target area. Mr. Curry confirmed that target areas, such as Arlington Park, were not eligible for funding.

Tim Gwinn spoke as a representative for the Beloved Community Center located at 417 Arlington Street. He asked for clarification on the criteria for making proposal recommendations. Mr. Curry indicated that HUD regulations for community developed programs served as the set of requirements to determine eligibility along with the intent, focus, and requirements of the stimulus funding. He added that the remainder of the process is up to the local communities.

Carl Brucemeier, 1012 Bloomfield Road, Sedalia, North Carolina, operates an organization representing minorities as a sounding board. He expressed his concern for minorities who are adversely affected by the economy and their lack of ability to participate in stimulus funding. He encouraged the Board to be inclusive and make a difference by creating jobs to allow minorities to have the economic impact that the Recovery Act was intended to provide.

Justin Brooks, 330 South Greene Street, is with Affordable Housing Management, Inc. (AHM). He acknowledged funding limitations and indicated that AHM has presented a number of different options for consideration. He gave a detailed overview of the Everett Street project and indicated that it shovel-ready.

Ed Whitfield requested that the Board move Homeless Hospitality back into the considered list and he cited his reasoning.

Dr. Roy Moore, 1500 Marlboro Drive, stated his concern with the lack of health and education projects on the agenda. He expressed his desire to become part of a focus group interested in supporting health and education. Mr. Curry indicated that he would notify Dr. Moore of meetings involving long-range planning for these issues that will be starting up soon.

Mr. Wood moved to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Ms. Cockburn. The Board voted unanimously 8-0 in favor of the motion. (Ayes: Hayes, Wood, Cockburn, Biggerstaff, Martin, Pittman, Frazier, Hollers. Nays: None.)

A Greensboro City Council **Public Hearing** was held on **June 2, 2009**. The following is a summary of that meeting:

- The Public Hearing was opened by Council and comments from the floor were encouraged.
- Dan Curry the Interim Director of Housing and CD gave a presentation that described the CDBG-R funding eligibilities, the public participation process, the CRB decision making process, and finally requested that Council approve the CRB recommendations after the

public speakers in order to allow the City to meet the June 5, 2009 HUD application requirement.

- Three supporters of Beloved Community Center/Hospitality House spoke in favor of the project. Joyce Nelson spoke first and mentioned that Beloved Community Center/Hospitality House now serves over 100 people meals per day. They wish to expand and create jobs for local unemployed residents. The architect for the project Major Sanders explained the benefits of increased energy efficiency as well as the part time jobs that will be created to teach historic preservation and green building. The last public speaker was Joseph Farston who reiterated the positive benefits of the project.
- Once the speakers finished there was one question from Council about architectural salvage opportunities which was well received by the applicants.
- City Council then closed the public hearing and voted unanimously to approve the substantial plan amendment.

# CDBG-R Substantial Amendment Grantee Checklist

*For the purposes of expediting review, HUD asks that applicants submit the following checklist along with the CDBG-R Substantial Amendment, Spreadsheet for Reporting Proposed CDBG-R Activities, and SF-424.*

## **Contents of a CDBG-R Action Plan Substantial Amendment**

Jurisdiction(s): <u>City of Greensboro</u> Lead Agency: Dept. of Housing & CD Jurisdiction Web Address: <a href="http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/departments/hcd/StimulusFunds.htm">http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/departments/hcd/StimulusFunds.htm</a>	CDBG-R Contact Person: Michael Blair Address: 300 W. Washington St. Ste. 315, Greensboro, NC 27401 Telephone: 336.433.7266 Fax: 336.373.2153 Email: <a href="mailto:michael.blair@greensboro-nc.gov">michael.blair@greensboro-nc.gov</a>
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The elements in the substantial amendment required for the CDBG recovery funds are:

### ***A. SPREADSHEET FOR REPORTING PROPOSED CDBG-R ACTIVITIES***

Does the submission contain a paper copy of the Spreadsheet for Reporting Proposed CDBG-R Activities?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Verification found on **pages 3 and 4**

Does the submission include an electronic version of the Spreadsheet for Reporting Proposed CDBG-R Activities sent to the email box CDBG-R@hud.gov?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Date Spreadsheet was emailed: **June 5, 2009**

Does the Spreadsheet for Reporting Proposed CDBG-R Activities include, for each activity:

- amount of funds budgeted for each activity, including CDBG-R funds, any additional Recovery Funds used and total activity budget,  
 Yes ☒ No ☐ Verification found on **pages 3 and 4**
- the Eligibility citation (eligibility regulatory cite or HCDA cite),  
 Yes ☒ No ☐ Verification found on **pages 3 and 4**
- the CDBG national objective citation,  
 Yes ☒ No ☐ Verification found on **pages 3 and 4**



## ***B. CDBG-R INFORMATION BY ACTIVITY***

Does the submission contain information by activity describing how the grantee will use the funds, including:

- a narrative for each activity describing how CDBG-R funds will be used in a manner that maximizes job creation and economic benefit,  
Yes ☒ No ☐ Verification found on **pages 5 through 12**
- projected number of jobs created for each activity,  
Yes ☒ No ☐ Verification found on **pages 5 through 12**
- whether an activity will promote energy efficiency and conservation,  
Yes ☒ No ☐ Verification found on **pages 5 through 12**
- the name, location, and contact information for the entity that will carry out the activity,  
Yes ☒ No ☐ Verification found on **page 2**
- evidence that no more than 10% of the grant amount will be spent on administration and planning,  
Yes ☒ No ☐ Verification found on **page 5**
- evidence that no more than 15% of the grant amount will be spent on public services,  
Yes ☒ No ☐ Verification found on **pages 3 and 4**
- evidence that at least 70% of the grant amount will benefit persons of low and moderate income,  
Yes ☒ No ☐ Verification found on **pages 5 through 12** (every project is either LMA, LMH or LMJ)

## ***C. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD***

Was the proposed action plan amendment published via the jurisdiction's usual methods and on the Internet for no less than 7 calendar days of public comment?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Verification found on **page 14 (13 days)**

Is there a summary of citizen comments included in the final amendment?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Verification found on **pages 14 through 18**

## ***D. CERTIFICATIONS***

The following certifications are complete and accurate:

- |   |   |                             |
|---|---|-----------------------------|
| (1) Affirmatively furthering fair housing | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (2) Anti-displacement and relocation plan | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (3) Drug-free Workplace                   | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (4) Anti-lobbying                         | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (5) Authority of jurisdiction             | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (6) Consistency with plan                 | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (7) Section 3                             | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |

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|--|---|-----------------------------|
| (8) Community development plan                               | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (9) Following a plan   | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (10) Use of Funds  | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (11) Excessive Force   | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (12) Compliance with anti-discrimination laws                | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (13) Lead-based paint procedures                             | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (14) Compliance with laws                                    | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (15) Compliance with ARRA                                    | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (16) Project selection                                       | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (17) Timeliness of infrastructure investments                | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (18) Buy American provision                                  | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (19) Appropriate use of funds for infrastructure investments | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| (20) 70% of CDBG-R for LMI                                   | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |

Optional Certification

(21) Urgent Need \_\_\_\_\_ Yes ☐ No ☐

**Application for Federal Assistance SF-424**

Version 02

**\*1. Type of Submission:**

- ☐ Preapplication  
☒ Application  
☐ Changed/Corrected Application

**\*2. Type of Application**

- ☒ New  
☐ Continuation  
☐ Revision

\* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s)

\*Other (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Date Received:**

June 5, 2009

**4. Applicant Identifier:**

S-05-MC-37-004

**5a. Federal Entity Identifier:**

56-6000230

**\*5b. Federal Award Identifier:**

CDBG-R; B-09-MS-37-004

**State Use Only:**

6. Date Received by State: N/A

7. State Application Identifier: N/A

**8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:****\*a. Legal Name:** City of Greensboro**\*b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):**

56-6000230

**\*c. Organizational DUNS:**

071572374

**d. Address:****\*Street 1:** 300 W. Washington St. Room 315

Street 2: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*City:** Greensboro

County: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*State:** North Carolina

Province: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Country:** United States**\*Zip / Postal Code** 27401**e. Organizational Unit:**

Department Name:

Department of Housing and CD

Division Name:

Grants Management

**f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:**Prefix: Mr. **\*First Name:** Michael

Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Last Name:** Blair

Suffix: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: Grants Planner

Organizational Affiliation:

N/A

**\*Telephone Number:** 336.433.7266

Fax Number: 336.373.2153

**\*Email:** michael.blair@greensboro-nc.gov



**Application for Federal Assistance SF-424**

Version 02

**\*9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

C. City or Township Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

\*Other (Specify)

**\*10 Name of Federal Agency:**

HUD

**11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:**

14.253

CFDA Title:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement / Recovery Act Funded (CDBG-R)

**\*12 Funding Opportunity Number:**

N/A

\*Title:

N/A

**13. Competition Identification Number:**

N/A

Title:

N/A

**14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):**

The City of Greensboro

**\*15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

City of Greensboro Substantial Amendment to FY2008-2009 Annual Plan for CDBG-R Funded Projects

**Application for Federal Assistance SF-424**

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**16. Congressional Districts Of:**

\*a. Applicant: 6<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup>

\*b. Program/Project: 6<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup>

**17. Proposed Project:**

\*a. Start Date: June 5, 2009

\*b. End Date: September 30, 2012

**18. Estimated Funding (\$):**

*a. Federal	\$510,817
*b. Applicant	
*c. State	
*d. Local	
*e. Other	
*f. Program Income	
*g. TOTAL	\$510,817

**\*19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**

- ☐ a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.
- ☒ c. Program is not covered by E. O. 12372

**\*20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes", provide explanation.)**

☐ Yes ☒ No

21. \*By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications\*\* and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances\*\* and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U. S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)

☒ \*\* I AGREE

\*\* The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions

**Authorized Representative:**

Prefix: Mr. \*First Name: Andrew

Middle Name: S.

\*Last Name: Scott

Suffix: III

\*Title: Interim Assistant City Manager for Economic Development

\*Telephone Number: 336.373.2002

Fax Number:

\* Email: andrew.scott@greensboro-nc.gov

\*Signature of Authorized Representative:

\*Date Signed: June 4, 2009

# CERTIFICATIONS

(1) **Affirmatively furthering fair housing.** The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing, which means that it will conduct an analysis to identify impediments to fair housing choice within the jurisdiction, take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintain records reflecting the analysis and actions in this regard.

(2) **Anti-displacement and relocation plan.** The jurisdiction will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4601), and implementing regulations at 49 CFR part 24; and it has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under section 104(d) of the housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, in connection with any activity assisted with funding under CDBG-R.

(3) **Drug Free Workplace.** The jurisdiction will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

1. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
2. Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about –
  - (a) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
  - (b) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
  - (c) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
  - (d) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
3. Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph 1;
4. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph 1 that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will -
  - (a) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
  - (b) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;
5. Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;
6. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph 4(b), with respect to any employee who is so convicted:
  - (a) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or



(b) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;

7. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

(4) **Anti-lobbying.** To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;

2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and

3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

(5) **Authority of Jurisdiction.** The jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations and other program requirements.

(6) **Consistency with Plan.** The housing activities to be undertaken with CDBG-R funds are consistent with its consolidated plan.

(7) **Section 3.** The jurisdiction will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u), and implementing regulations at 24 CFR part 135.

(8) **Community development plan.** The jurisdiction certifies that the consolidated housing and community development plan identifies housing and community development needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the statute authorizing the CDBG program.

(9) **Following a plan.** The jurisdiction is following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

(10) **Use of funds.** The jurisdiction has developed activities so as to give the maximum feasible priority to activities that will benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention of slums or blight. Additional activities may be included that are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community where other financial resources are not available to meet such needs. It has complied with the following criteria:



**1. Maximum Feasible Priority.** With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG-R funds, it certifies that it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low and moderate income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available);

**2. Special Assessments.** The jurisdiction will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG-R funds by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low- and moderate-income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements. However, if CDBG-R funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment attributable to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG-R funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG-R funds. The jurisdiction will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG-R funds, unless CDBG-R funds are used to pay the proportion of fee or assessment attributable to the capital costs of public improvements financed from other revenue sources. In this case, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG-R funds. In addition, with respect to properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (but not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG-R funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG-R or CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

(11) **Excessive Force.** The jurisdiction certifies that it has adopted and is enforcing: (1) a policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and (2) a policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location that is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

(12) **Compliance with anti-discrimination laws.** The CDBG-R grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d), the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619), and implementing regulations.

(13) **Compliance with lead-based paint procedures.** The activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of part 35, subparts A, B, J, K, and R of this title.

(14) **Compliance with laws.** The jurisdiction will comply with applicable laws.

(15) **Compliance with ARRA.** The jurisdiction will comply with Title XII of Division A of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

(16) **Project selection.** The jurisdiction will select projects to be funded, by giving priority to projects that can award contracts based on bids within 120 days from the date the funds are made available to the recipient, and that will ensure maximum job creation and economic benefit.

(17) **Timeliness of infrastructure investments.** When the jurisdiction uses CDBG-R funds for infrastructure investments, the grantee will give preference to quick-start and finish activities, including a goal to use at least 50 percent of the funds for activities within 120 days of enactment of the Recovery Act.



(18) **Buy American provision.** The jurisdiction will ensure that all iron, steel and manufactured goods used in construction, alteration, repair, or maintenance of a public building or public work project assisted with CDBG-R funds under the Recovery Act must be produced in the United States unless the Secretary finds that: (1) the requirement is inconsistent with public interest; (2) those goods are not reasonably available or produced in sufficient quantity in the U.S.; (3) or the use of the goods will increase the project cost by more than 25 percent.

(19) **Appropriate use of funds for infrastructure investments.** The Governor, mayor, or other chief executive, as appropriate certifies, that any infrastructure investments have received the full review and vetting required by law and that the chief executive accepts responsibility that the infrastructure investment is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars. Alternatively, a grantee's chief elected official certifies that infrastructure investments will receive the full review and vetting required by law and that the chief executive accepts responsibility that the infrastructure investment is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars.

(20) **70% of CDBG-R for LMI.** The aggregate use of CDBG-R funds shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the grant is expended for activities that benefit such persons over the life of the CDBG-R grant.

  
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Signature/Authorized Official

June 4, 2009  
Date

Interim Assistant City Manager for Economic Development  
Title